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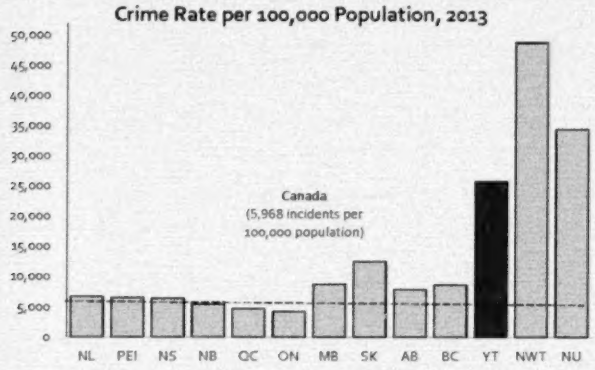
Police-reported Crime Statistics in Yukon 2013

This report is based on data released by Statistics Canada from the incident-based Uniform Crime Reporting Survey (UCR). The UCR collects information on all criminal incidents (of adults and youth) reported to, and substantiated by, Canadian police services.

Highlights:

- A total of 9,447 criminal incidents were reported to police in Yukon in 2013: 1,509 violent Criminal Code violations; 3,477 property crime; 533 Criminal Code traffic violations; 3,647 'other' Criminal Code violations; and 281 Federal Statutes violations.
- Yukon's 2013 police-reported crime rate of 25,741 incidents per 100,000 population, was 13.9% higher than the 2012 rate.

Crime Rate, Canada, Provinces and Territories, 2013

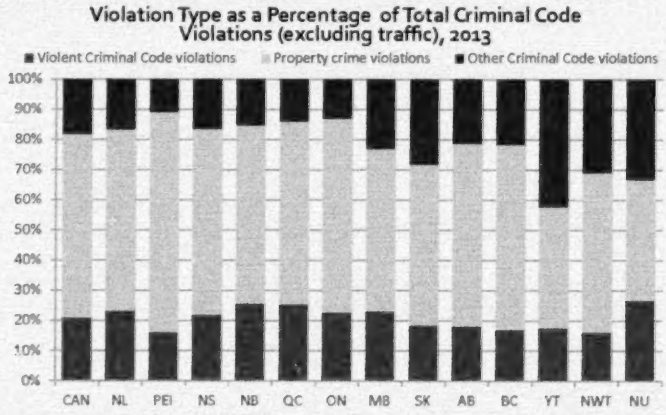


- Yukon's 2013 crime rate was the third highest in the country at 25,741 incidents per 100,000 population.
- In 2013, the overall crime rate increased 13.9% compared to 2012. However, the 2013 crime rate was only 2.4% higher than the 2004 rate.

Crime counts are based on the most serious offence in an incident; however, violent criminal incidents are generally counted separately for each victim. Criminal Code traffic offences, as well as federal statute violations are not included in the calculation of the overall crime rate.

Criminal Code Violations (excluding traffic), Canada, Provinces and Territories, 2013

- In 2013, there were 8,633 actual incidents of Criminal Code violations (excluding traffic) in Yukon. This total consisted of: 1,509 violent Criminal Code violations (ranking Yukon the fourth lowest in Canada at 17.5%); 3,477 property crime (ranking Yukon the second lowest in the country at 40.3%); and 3,647 'other' Criminal Code violations (ranking Yukon the highest in Canada at 42.2%).*
- The above Yukon proportions compare nationally at: 21.0% violent Criminal Code violations; 60.6% property crime; and 18.3% 'other' Criminal Code violations.



** While 'other' Criminal Code violations typically include counterfeiting, weapons violations, child pornography, prostitution, disturb the peace and administration of justice, etc., these 'other' violations for Yukon mainly included disturb the peace and administration of justice.*

Other Sources of Crime Information:

Statistics Canada's Juristat - provides in-depth analysis and detailed statistics on a variety of justice-related topics and issues. http://www5.statcan.gc.ca/bsolc/olc-cel/olc-cel?catno=85-002-X&chropg=1&lang=eng#issue2013001

Statistics Canada's Juristat Bulletin - publication features short, informative articles focusing on specific justice-related issues. http://www5.statcan.gc.ca/bsolc/olc-cel/olc-cel?catno=85-005-X&chropg=1&lang=eng#issue2011001

Violent Criminal Code Violations, Number of Actual Incidents, Yukon, 2004-2013

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Total violent Criminal Code violations	**1,471**	**1,307**	**1,243**	**1,301**	**1,269**	**1,404**	**1,464**	**1,470**	**1,458**	**1,509**
Homicide	7	1	0	2	3	2	1	0	0	0
Total other violations causing death	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Attempted murder	..	2	0	0	1	3	0	4	0	1
Sexual assault, level 3, aggravated	2	..	1	2	2	1	0	0	0	0
Sexual assault, level 2, weapon or bodily harm	..	..	1	4	0	2	1	2	4	2
Sexual assault, level 1	58	63	57	53	50	71	66	62	73	71
Total sexual violations against children	0	0	0	1	0	2	3	4	9	12
Assault, level 3, aggravated	9	3	14	17	12	14	15	26	16	15
Assault, level 2, weapon or bodily harm	140	159	143	183	161	156	151	184	181	163
Assault, level 1	766	721	674	675	666	727	703	782	738	807
Total assaults against a peace officer	12	19	15	9	24	52	85	40	29	26
Total other assaults	1	1	1	1	3	2	6	3	3	1
Total firearms; use of, discharge, pointing	4	0	1	2	2	5	10	5	8	4
Total robbery	23	18	17	16	16	9	17	13	11	8
Total forcible confinement or kidnapping	13	7	12	12	9	24	18	9	8	2
Total abduction	6	1	1	0	2	1	3	0	0	0
Extortion	3	1	2	2	2	2	0	0	1	0
Criminal harassment	76	13	14	16	24	13	22	16	16	45
Uttering threats	282	219	193	245	226	242	266	237	249	241
Threatening or harassing phone calls	47	73	80	53	51	65	85	76	103	107
Total other violent violations	21	6	17	8	14	11	12	7	9	4

Crimes against the person involve the use or threatened use of violence against a person, including homicide, attempted murder, assault, sexual assault and robbery. Robbery is considered a crime against the person because unlike other theft offences it involves the use or threat of violence.

Property Crime, Number of Actual Incidents, Yukon, 2004-2013

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Total property crime	**3,719**	**3,703**	**3,313**	**3,158**	**3,394**	**3,069**	**3,111**	**3,189**	**3,131**	**3,477**
Total breaking and entering	555	515	460	349	254	258	246	191	205	215
Total possession of stolen property	44	39	26	28	39	33	42	19	46	41
Total trafficking in stolen property[1]			..	..	..	..	0	0	1	0
Total theft of motor vehicle	163	146	140	135	171	132	163	115	146	191
Total theft over $5,000 (non-motor vehicle)	35	35	19	21	27	17	33	22	25	24
Total theft under $5,000 (non-motor vehicle)	1,075	1,094	865	743	689	715	746	798	904	976
Fraud[2]	132	77	85	102	125	129	111	81	92	98
Identity theft[2]			..	..	..	..	0	0	2	1
Identity fraud[2]			..	..	0	0	5	12	3	4
Total mischief	1,696	1,778	1,706	1,765	2,075	1,771	1,750	1,934	1,690	1,914
Arson	19	19	12	15	14	14	15	17	17	13

[1] In April 2011, legislation came into effect making it an offence to traffic in property obtained by crime, including possession with intent to traffic property obtained by crime.
[2] In January 2010, the UCR survey was modified to create new violation codes for identity fraud and identity theft. Prior to 2010, those offences would have been coded as fraud.

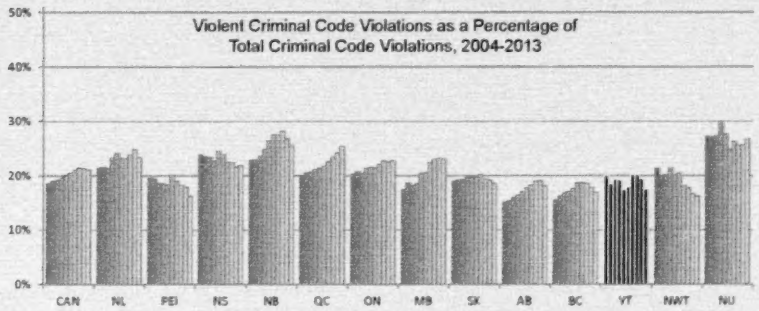
Property crimes involve unlawful acts to gain property, but do not involve the use or threat of violence against the person. They include offences such as break and enter, theft and fraud.

Other Criminal Code Violations, Number of Actual Incidents, Yukon, 2004-2013

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Total other Criminal Code violations	**2,128**	**2,069**	**1,874**	**2,312**	**2,608**	**3,345**	**2,681**	**2,628**	**2,890**	**3,647**
Counterfeiting	2	2	0	1	2	1	1	0	0	0
Total weapons violations	34	31	20	28	26	33	17	29	36	29
Child pornography	1	0	4	4	0	3	0	3	1	4
Total prostitution	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	2
Disturb the peace	1,599	1,525	1,328	1,670	1,940	2,424	1,790	1,692	1,898	2,538
Total administration of justice violations	418	445	460	508	553	779	772	797	833	951
Total other violations	73	66	62	99	87	105	101	106	122	123

These incidents involve the remaining Criminal Code offences that are not classified as violent or property (excluding traffic offences). Examples are mischief, bail violations, disturbing the peace, arson, prostitution and offensive weapons.

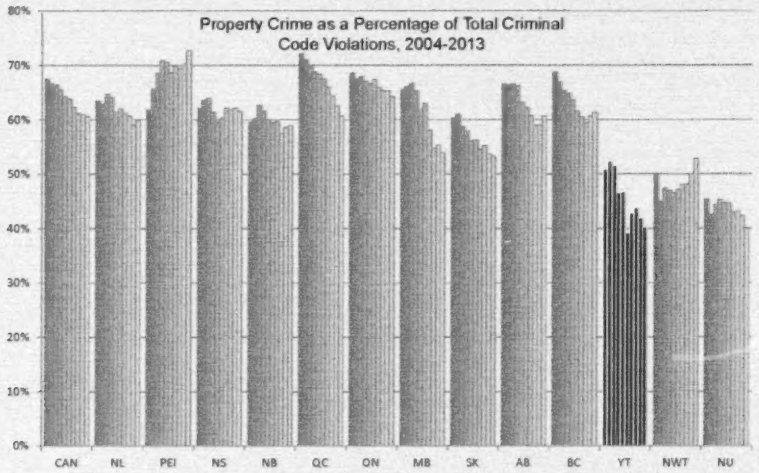
Number of Incidents by Violation Type as a Percentage of Total Criminal Code Violations (excluding traffic), Yukon, 2004-2013



- While the majority of Canadian jurisdictions have seen a general upward trend in violent Criminal Code violations as a percentage of total Criminal Code violations, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, Yukon, and the Northwest Territories have seen the opposite. For Yukon, the percentage had an overall declining trend between 2004 and 2008, increased between 2008 and 2011 and then decreased in 2012 and 2013.

- Over the past ten years, violent Criminal Code violations have averaged 18.9% of all Criminal Code violations in Yukon, the fourth lowest in the country.

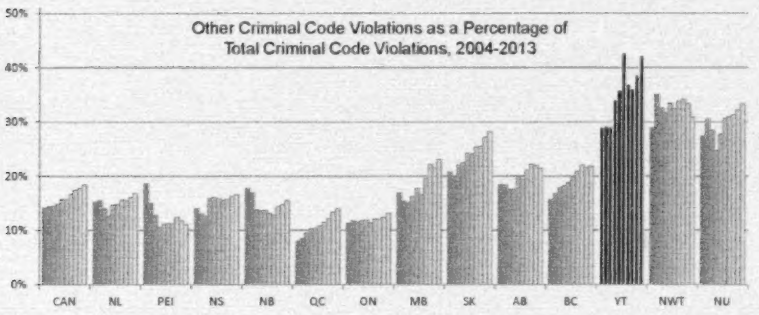
- In 2013, there were 985 incidents of *assault* levels 1-3 in Yukon, accounting for 65.3% of all violent Criminal Code violations. Collectively, *uttering threats* (241), *threatening or harassing phone calls* (107), and *criminal harassment* (45) accounted for 26.0%. *Sexual assault* levels 1-3 (73) accounted for 4.8% of all violent Criminal Code violations.



- Yukon has experienced a downward trend in property crime as a percentage of all Criminal Code violations. With the exceptions of Prince Edward Island and the Northwest Territories, all other jurisdictions experienced a similar downward trend.

- On average over the last ten years, property crime has accounted for 45.4% of all Criminal Code violations in Yukon, the second lowest in the country. In 2013, the percentage of property crime in Yukon (40.3%) was the second lowest in Canada.

- In 2013, there were 1,914 incidents of *mischief* accounting for 55.0% of all property crime in Yukon. *Theft* (1,191) accounted for 34.3% of all property crime, and *breaking and entering* (215) accounted for 6.2%.



- With the exceptions of Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick, the majority of jurisdictions have seen an upward trend in other Criminal Code violations as a percentage of all Criminal Code violations.

- While Yukon's average 'other' Criminal Code violations percentage ranks highest in the country (35.7%) over the last decade, *disturb the peace* incidents have accounted for 70.3% of that figure.

- In 2013, there were 2,538 incidents of *disturb the peace* accounting for 69.6% of all 'other' Criminal Code violations in Yukon. *Administration of justice violations* incidents (951) accounted for 26.1%.

Criminal Code Violations (excluding traffic) by Type, Number of Actual Incidents, by Rural RCMP Detachment Area, 2004-2013

		2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Total Violent Criminal Code Violations	Yukon	1,471	1,307	1,243	1,301	1,269	1,404	1,464	1,470	1,458	1,509
	Beaver Creek	14	9	11	6	6	9	4	5	16	10
	Carcross	36	25	32	44	53	54	50	49	34	52
	Carmacks	34	52	39	59	45	36	28	43	33	28
	Dawson	71	83	68	55	56	58	63	62	59	46
	Faro	1	4	8	6	9	7	7	7	4	15
	Haines Junction	17	23	40	49	38	19	45	40	42	60
	Mayo	37	33	38	20	17	22	27	40	44	48
	Old Crow	45	30	32	30	21	39	16	26	23	35
	Pelly Crossing	35	32	32	40	46	45	74	66	49	69
	Ross River	66	58	36	34	26	41	59	46	35	30
	Teslin	22	20	17	23	19	35	28	28	37	33
	Watson Lake	154	175	219	230	177	192	190	170	184	177
	Whitehorse	939	763	671	705	756	847	873	888	898	906

		2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Total Property Crime	Yukon	3,719	3,703	3,313	3,158	3,394	3,069	3,111	3,189	3,131	3,477
	Beaver Creek	11	21	17	12	18	25	24	16	14	16
	Carcross	64	65	62	69	65	81	71	40	42	54
	Carmacks	83	104	67	71	65	73	48	60	59	61
	Dawson	147	178	130	198	165	117	132	167	160	159
	Faro	12	13	8	15	15	8	22	8	18	18
	Haines Junction	50	84	78	74	80	70	60	73	81	91
	Mayo	71	67	88	67	94	74	40	31	49	104
	Old Crow	39	73	69	75	66	50	49	50	39	26
	Pelly Crossing	59	91	97	102	94	125	159	158	102	107
	Ross River	91	111	89	91	134	89	80	55	56	68
	Teslin	57	54	40	38	54	49	66	63	76	81
	Watson Lake	304	315	377	389	417	396	311	259	259	295
	Whitehorse	2,730	2,526	2,190	1,957	2,127	1,912	2,049	2,209	2,176	2,397

		2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Total Other Criminal Code Violations	Yukon	2,128	2,069	1,874	2,312	2,608	3,345	2,681	2,628	2,890	3,647
	Beaver Creek	9	6	15	4	7	13	4	4	7	5
	Carcross	36	20	22	28	45	80	40	57	46	56
	Carmacks	32	50	56	77	53	38	49	75	62	67
	Dawson	93	77	82	72	98	100	75	61	89	93
	Faro	1	5	3	3	3	3	7	7	17	14
	Haines Junction	7	18	29	42	35	21	16	24	25	22
	Mayo	28	68	81	64	54	30	28	30	30	61
	Old Crow	43	31	38	37	61	31	28	23	25	28
	Pelly Crossing	30	75	41	65	80	80	113	101	80	89
	Ross River	39	29	26	47	55	64	64	63	51	33
	Teslin	27	25	24	39	23	18	30	28	33	21
	Watson Lake	167	148	255	329	256	275	291	205	240	269
	Whitehorse	1,616	1,517	1,203	1,505	1,838	2,592	1,936	1,950	2,185	2,889

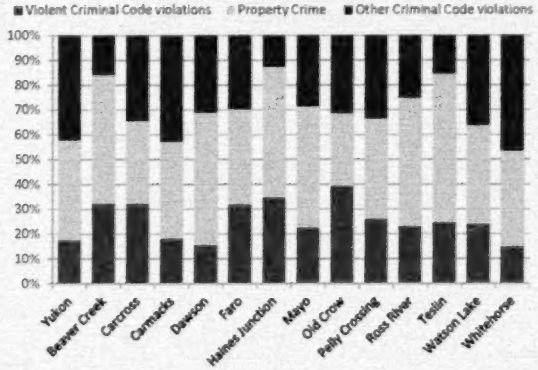
The number of actual incidents refers to the total number of incidents reported to the police minus incidents proven to be unfounded following preliminary investigation in any given year. Police-reported statistics may be affected by differences in the way police services deal with minor offences. In some instances, police or municipalities might choose to deal with some minor offences using municipal by-laws or provincial provisions rather than Criminal Code provisions. Differences in Police service's priorities, policies, procedures and enforcement practices may also have an effect.

Prior to the 2012 *Police-reported Crime Statistics in Yukon* report, Yukon Bureau of Statistics' crime publications contained microdata obtained directly from the Yukon RCMP office. Records management systems changed in 2004 and the publication was discontinued. Community-level data is now available via Statistics Canada CANSIM tables 252-0051 and 252-0082. As a result of these changes, the 2012 report and this publication (2013) are not comparable with previous ones.

Populations are based upon July 1 estimates from Statistics Canada, Demography Division.

For more information on the Incident-based Crime Reporting Survey - http://www23.statcan.gc.ca/imdb/p2SV.pl?Function=getSurvey&lang=en&db=imdb&adm=8&dis=2&SDDS=3302

Violation Type as a Percentage of Total Criminal Code Violations (excluding traffic), 2013



		2012	2013
Total Number of Criminal Code Violations (excluding traffic)	Yukon	7,479	8,633
	Beaver Creek	37	31
	Carcross	122	162
	Carmacks	154	156
	Dawson	308	298
	Faro	39	47
	Haines	148	173
	Mayo	123	213
	Old Crow	87	89
	Pelly Crossing	231	265
	Ross River	142	131
	Teslin	146	135
	Watson Lake	683	741
	Whitehorse	5,259	6,192

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